Introduced by Assembly Member Dymally

February 10, 2005

An act to add Section 84754.5 to the Education Code, relating to community colleges.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 318, as introduced, Dymally. Community colleges: funding. Existing law establishes the California Community Colleges under the administration of the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges. Existing law authorizes the establishment of community college districts under the administration of community college governing boards, and authorizes these districts to provide instruction at community college campuses throughout the state. Existing law establishes a system for the apportionment of state funding to community college districts. This system is generally based on calculations related to the number of full-time equivalent students (FTES) in attendance at each district.

This bill would require the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges, when calculating the enrollment growth rate for community college districts under the existing law governing the calculation of apportionments, to increase the growth rate otherwise granted to the district by the amount of FTES served in excess of 102% of the state-supported level of FTES for the preceding 3 fiscal years. The bill would prohibit the chancellor from increasing the enrollment growth rate of any district by more than 8% as compared with the preceding fiscal year.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

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The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 84754.5 is added to the Education Code, to read:

- 84754.5. (a) When calculating the enrollment growth rate for community college districts pursuant to Section 84750, the chancellor shall consider the quantity of full-time equivalent students (FTES) served by each community college district over the preceding three fiscal years that were not funded by the state, in accordance with subdivision (b).
- (b) The chancellor shall, when calculating each district's growth rate, increase the growth rate otherwise granted to the district by the amount of FTES served in excess of 102 percent of the state-supported level of FTES for the preceding three fiscal years, except as provided in subdivision (c).
- (c) In making the adjustment pursuant to subdivision (b), the chancellor shall not increase any district's enrollment growth rate by more than 8 percent as compared with the preceding fiscal year.